(c) whether there was any proposal to replace the whole of the Industrial Disputes Act;

(d) whether the proposal is still under consideration; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Keeping in view the emerging needs of economy, including promotion of investment both domestic and foreign, Bills to amend the Factories Act, 1948, the Labour Laws (Exemption from Furnishing Returns and Maintaining Registers by Certain Extablishment) Act, 1988 and Apprentices Act, 1961 have been introduced in the Parliament. There is no proposal to amend the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Social Security Scheme for workers

*46. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to introduce a National Minimum Social Security Scheme for workers in the unorganized sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRA SEKHAR RAO): (a) to (c) The National Commission for Enterprises in the Unorganised Sector (NCEUS) has submitted its report to the Government on Social Security for the Unorganized Sector Workers in May, 2006. It's recommendations, amongst others, include that any worker registered with the National Social Security Scheme for the unorganized workers, on payment of prescribed contribution, shall be entitled to National Minimum Social Security benefits including health insurance, maternity benefit, insurance to cover natural death and death due to accident, old age pension

to Below Poverty Line (BPL) workers above the age of 60 years and Provident Fund for Above Poverty Line (APL) workers.

This Ministry has also drafted an Unorganised Sector Workers Bill, 2004 which, *inter-alia*, envisages safety, social security and healthcare etc. to such workers. More recently, the National Advisory Council (NAC) has drafted a similar Bill. The entire matter of providing social security to workers in the unorganized sector *vis-a-vis* enactment of a legislation for such workers is under examination of the Government.

Spurt of violence in J&K

*47. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Jammu and Kashmir is facing a serious situation with Pakistan renewing arms and money supplies to terrorist groups in the State, resulting in a sudden spurt of violence and infiltration from across the line of control;

(b) whether the National security advisor visited the State and highlighted major lapses on the part of the security apparatus, that led to the situation going out of hand;

(c) if so, whether the Home Secretary alongwith top intelligence and security experts, visited the State, to review the current ground situation in the Valley; and

(d) if so, to what extent these steps have helped in controlling the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The State of Jammu and Kashmir has been facing the menace of cross-border terrorism and intelligence inputs indicate that arms, ammunition and funds are being provided to various terrorist outfits for carrying out subversive activities. The infiltration attempts by well-trained and armed terrorists generally pick up during